

CHAPTER LAND RECOMMENDED VALUES – FISCAL YEAR 2009

PER ACRE RANGE OF VALUES

Land Use Category - Chapter Land 61A	Productivity Based on Dominant Soil Rating*			
	Use Code	Below Average	Average	Above Average
Vegetables, Tobacco, Sod and Nursery Cropland Harvested	711, 712, 719	\$636	\$795	\$954
Dairy, Beef and Hay Cropland Harvested	716, 713	\$142	\$177	\$213
Orchards, Vineyards and Blueberries Cropland Harvested	714, 715	\$608	\$760	\$912
Range of Production / Barrels Per Acre Cranberries	710	<=107	108-162	>=163
		\$1,606	\$2,008	\$2,409
Christmas Trees	717	\$108	\$108	\$108
Nonproductive Land	722	\$29	\$29	\$29
Cropland Pastured, Permanent Pasture, Necessary and Related	718, 720	\$115	\$115	\$115

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Lands Use Category - Chapter Land 61 or 61A with a Forest Management Plan	West of the Connecticut River		East of the Connecticut River
	Use Code	Average Per Acre Value	
Productive Woodland	601, 717	\$173	\$108

Cropland Harvested – This land represents the highest use of land in the agricultural enterprise. All land from which a crop was harvested or hay was cut in the current year falls into this category. This includes the land in orchards, vineyards, nurseries, other perennial plantings and greenhouses.

Nonproductive Land – The land on the farm, which is devoted to woods primarily due to slope, drainage capacity, soil type or topography.

Cropland Pastured & Other Cropland – Cropland used for pasture or grazing or land considered as tillable but is kept fallow or in cover crops. It can and often is used to produce crops, but its maximum income may not be realized in a particular year. This category also includes land planted with crops, which were to be harvested after the last USDA Census of Agriculture year.

Permanent Pasture – This land is typically not tillable, but suited for grazing or possibly part of an erosion control program. This category also includes necessary and related lands.

Productive Woodland- New for this year, this category is to be used for land with a certified forest management plan classified under either chapter 61 or 61A.

*For information on soil ratings and capabilities please see our web site at
<http://www.mass.gov/Ador/docs/dls/bla/pdfs/Soilguidefy2003.pdf>